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TRANSMITTAL

VIA eFILE RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Enclosed

RCE Transmittal
 An Amendment "E" and Response for entry in the present application.
 Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

B. Payments

- E-filer with RAM will be used for submission of payment in the amount of \$810.00 to cover the following fees:
 - the \$810.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e).
 - The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.
 - Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
 - Any post-issuance fees under 37 CFR 1.20.
- If any additional extension of time is required, which has not otherwise been requested, please consider this a petition under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) to extend the reply period for this communication and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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